

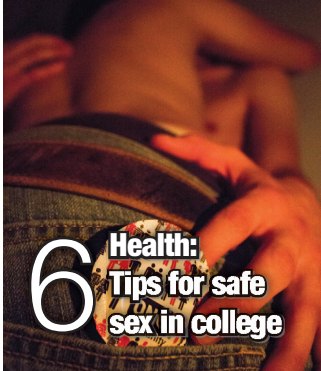


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John Currie wins AD of the Year Award



Parker Robb | Collegian

K-State Athletic Director John Currie speaks to the local media at K-State Football Media Days on Aug. 5.

Sean Frye
sports editor

It was announced on Wednesday that John Currie, the K-State athletic director, won the 2013 Bobby Dodd AD of the Year Award. "We are very pleased to be able to recognize John Currie as the winner of the 2013 award," said Jim Terry, Chairman of the Dodd Foundation, in a K-State Sports press release. "John's vision and drive have made it possible for all sports at Kansas State to reach new heights of success and excellence."

The honor was presented to Currie at the annual Division IA Athletics Director meetings in Dallas.

Currie's award comes following a

year that saw the three major sports programs reach new heights. Football, men's basketball and baseball all won Big 12 titles. Football ended up going to the Fiesta Bowl, men's basketball earned a No. 4 seed in the NCAA Tournament, while baseball hosted and won an NCAA regional.

K-State was just the fourth BCS school since 1998 to have all three major sports win conference titles.

"It is a huge accomplishment," said Big 12 Commissioner Bob Bowlsby at K-State Media Days on Aug. 5. "In the case of basketball, it had been decades since the last championship. I think baseball is the same way. To do it with three major sports in the same year is an extraordinary accomplishment and

one to be celebrated."

In addition to the three major sports programs on campus enjoying a great deal of success, the Wildcats also saw high jumper Erik Kynard Jr., who won the silver medal for high jump at the 2012 London Olympics, grab his third straight Big 12 Outdoor Championship. He also finished second at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

Not only has Currie been at the helm during great success on the field, he's also turned the athletic department into one of the most financially successful off the field.

Currently, according to the K-State Sports press release, over \$125 million in facility upgrades have either been completed or are underway since Currie took

over. That includes the Basketball Training Facility and West Stadium Center projects.

Currie has been able to accomplish this by increasing donor gifts to the Ahearn Fund on not just a local, but a national level as well.

"We've increased our annual giving significantly, and annual giving would be gifts to the Ahearn Fund," Currie said. "Our national leadership circle has been a big part of our success. We now have 399 people that give more than \$10,000 a year to K-State Athletics. Those people come from 19 different states."

Under Currie's direction, the

CURRIE | pg. 5

SafeZone works towards LGBT safe environment

Rebecca Oberrieder
staff writer

When class is in session, faculty and students are opposite sides of the room. However, thanks to the SafeZone program they can come together to make campus a safe environment for everyone.

The SafeZone program is an initiative through the Campaign for Nonviolence. The program's main mission is to help individuals easily identify persons, programs and services that have made a special commitment to equality. These "Safe Zones," represented by a sticker or key chain with a pink inverted triangle inside of a green circle, are a safe haven for individuals who are facing homophobia, hateful acts or sexual violence.

"The ally program is an integral part of campus," said Brandon Haddock, student services coordinator at the K-State LGBT Resource Center. "It has helped change the climate of campus because individuals know that they have someone to talk to."

Faculty members and students were in attendance at SafeZone's third education session of the year. Yesterday's two hour education session, titled "Sexuality and Gender Identity," was held in the K-State Student Union, focused on helping individuals on campus who are facing issues revolving around their sexuality.

Haddock guided a group of about 30 men and women through a lesson intended to help them gain a better understanding of the issues faced by gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals on campus.

"If you aren't informed, you won't understand what they are dealing with," Haddock said, stressing the importance of understanding what sexuality and gender identity mean.

What if scenarios were used to give the participants guidance on creating a more open and affirming environment when they are approached by a LGBT individual.

The event was attended by a wide range of individuals. According to Haddock, the SafeZone program sees a broad spectrum of participants, from staff to students to interested Manhattan community members.

According to Haddock, attendees are mostly individuals who see a need or are personally affected in some way and want to help. The attendance list showed a great variety in staff from the various K-State academic programs.

Linda Lamb, the program coordinator for an extension of the family and consumer sciences department, has been an active ally for over a year and continues to do so through these education events. "Not everyone fits into a little box," Lamb said. "I believe that everybody should be able to be who they are and have their own voice."

Karen Myers-Bowman, Ph.D., Certified Family Life Educator and a family sciences and human services faculty member, has also been a longtime ally for the program. Myers-Bowman said she strongly believes in the importance of the work done by the SafeZone program and has been able to apply it to situations she faces as a Certified Family Life Educator. She said she has students approach her for help with various things, sexuality issues included.

"Everyone deserves to feel safe," Myers-Bowman said. "Everyone on campus should be safe."

The title of SafeZone ally is not just for faculty members, but students as well. Felicia Walker, junior in animal sciences and industry and residential assistant for Boyd resident hall, said she has both a personal and occupational development interest in the program.

"Inclusiveness is my thing," Walker said.

Walker said she uses the knowledge she gains from SafeZone sessions to develop what she termed "forward thinking," the idea that knowing more information will allow her to respond to situations more effectively. This is important when it comes to her job as a residential assistant. The SafeZone sessions have helped educate Walker on how to deal with situations she may face in the residential hall.

As the participants prepared to leave the session, they walked away with much more than just the information that they learned. Walker was inspired by the attitude that she saw in the group.

"Honestly ... the best part was seeing the passion from the faculty and staff," Walker said. "They were all so open and willing to speak up. It was nice to see them wanting more education and the opportunity to support their students."

Everyone is invited to become an ally through a very simple process which is outlined on the program's website, k-state.edu/safezone. Lamb said she is hopeful for the success and safety of the LGBT community, especially with the help of the SafeZone program.

"We can conquer the world," Lamb said. "It is a long process, but we can take these baby steps to get there."

DORM | pg. 5

New residence hall to decrease overflow, demolish parking lot



Hannah Hunsinger | Collegian

The current GM parking lot south of Goodnow will be the future site of the new residence hall.

Maria Betzold
staff writer

With the approval of the Kansas Board of Regents, the plans for a new residence hall and dining center to be built in the Kramer Complex are unfolding. The goal for the new facility, located in the parking lot west of Denison Avenue and east of Kramer Dining Center, is to be built and move-in ready by August 2015.

Derek Jackson, director of Housing and Dining Services, said the cur-

rent plan is to take the 174 parking spots and create a 450-bed residence hall. According to Jackson, the \$70 million project will not use student tuition money – only money generated through Housing and Dining Services.

"The goal is to take parking," Jackson said. "There's plenty of parking on campus."

Jackson also said a transit system is being calculated into the future campus developments and was a factor regarding the parking situation.

"Most campuses that have grown to this size have a transit system," Jackson said.

Although Jackson said he could not release the names of the contractors that K-State is in contact with, he did mention that negotiations are underway and said there will be exciting things announced in the near future.

"There are a lot of things to be uncovered in the next six months," Jackson said. "This is a huge project. It will be very impactful on our community."

Jackson said that Housing and

Dining Services will continue to grow with K-State and the Manhattan community and that he is looking forward to the changes associated with the growth.

"There are more people living in Manhattan now than ever," Jackson said. "The desire is to take this space and use it continuously."

T.J. Miller, sophomore in kinesiology and resident of Marlatt Hall, said

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ARREST REPORTS

Tuesday, Oct. 1

Crystal Marie Bise, of Alta Vista, Kan., was booked for probation violation. Bond was set at \$1,000.

Inshayel Denise Ballard, of Topeka, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$1,500.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

Arthur Steve Keith Fitch

ett, of Fort Riley, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Jeffrey Benjamin Anderson, of the 2800 block of Matthew Circle, was booked for driving under the influence. Bond was set at \$750.

Bobby Joe Burk, of Riley, Kan., was booked for driving under the influence and refusal of a breath test. Bond was set at \$2,250.

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By Parker Wilhelm

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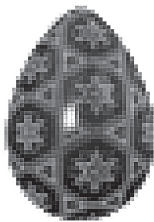
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Royals need to secure long-term deals



It's hard to believe that it's only been a week since the Kansas City Royals season ended and fans have been able to completely move on to football season.

Usually, the Royals are so dismal that fans shift their focus to the gridiron in early August, when training camp for both the NFL and college football is starting up. But the football season was nearly a quarter over while the Royals were still competing for a playoff berth.

In the end, Kansas City finished with an 86-74 record, the best for the franchise in 24 years. But if the Royals want to continue to improve and take that next step to the playoffs in 2014, there are a few in-house issues that must be addressed this offseason.

The first one was actually resolved quickly as general manager Dayton Moore signed manager Ned Yost to a two-year contract extension. When you coach a team to its best season in nearly a quarter-century, you deserve to hang around a while longer.

Secondly, the Royals must secure long-term deals with first baseman Eric Hosmer and starting pitcher James Shields.

Eric Hosmer is eligible for arbitration this season. He'll later be eligible for free agency in 2017. Hosmer hit .302 this season with 17 home runs and is also a terrific athlete, especially for a first baseman.

The Royals can't afford to let him slip by the wayside. Securing a long-term contract with him now will help provide stability for the team.

Shields though is more of an immediate concern for the Royals. The ace has just one year left on his contract before he hits the free agent market at the end of the 2014 season.

According to a report by FOX Sports, Shields expressed

his interest to stay in Kansas City for the long haul.

"I think it's a great city," Shields said in the report. "I've known a lot of players who have come to Kansas City and then wound up making Kansas City their home. And it's a good family environment around here and they really love their baseball. It's a good wholesome town."

Shields was a lights-out pitcher for the Royals. He was the type of guy Kansas City was looking for after a 2012 season that featured dismal pitching.

He went 13-9 this season on the mound with a 3.15 ERA, and was first in the entire MLB with 27 quality starts.

If the Royals can lockup one of the league's best pitchers and keep him in Kansas City, that will give fans some decent hope that the Royals want to develop the squad they have now rather than settle for one good season.

Overall, the Royals are finally on the right track after years and years of fans watching a losing team. But for the Royals to stay the course, the front office has to address those in-house issues now rather than later.

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Kansas City Royals first baseman Eric Hosmer, had a .302 batting average and 17 home runs in 2013.

Where the Royals go after extending Ned Yost two years



The Kansas City Royals just concluded their best season in 24 years. However, in order to take the next step forward and reach the playoffs next season, the boys in blue will need to get some help from the free agent market.

On Tuesday, the Royals announced that Ned Yost had been signed to a two-year contract extension. This move should not have come as a surprise, as no team fires a manager after their best season in almost a quarter-century.

That said, I am not a huge fan of Yost. I think he makes some pretty bad calls, especially with his lineups and how long he lets floundering players see the field. I also have not seen an ability to think multiple steps ahead, instead making moves one at a time without thinking of what the repercussions will be.

Sadly, I do not get to make the calls in the Royals front office. General Manager Dayton Moore does, and he re-signed Yost. Few can fault him, though, for sticking with the skipper that won 86 games.

As long as the players respect and like Yost, I do not have any huge reservations letting him come back next season. But if the Royals fail to find the postseason in 2014, then Yost and Moore should both be shown the door.

Now that Yost's job is solidified, he needs to start looking for some help for next season. The current squad has the potential to

reach the playoffs, but they seem to have some trouble reaching that potential and will no doubt lose some players from this season to free agency.

The first point of order needs to be a starting pitcher. While James Shields established himself as a leader in the rotation and will be back next year, Ervin Santana may not be back and Bruce Chen is getting a little old to keep starting games for a playoff team. Jeremy Guthrie is still locked in for two more seasons and Danny Duffy is under team control through 2017. So the Royals have three spots that are spoken for, and one may be filled by Santana.

Other starters might be found in the Royals' farm system, like young fireballer Yordano Ventura, but the team needs to find a starting pitcher or two on the free agent market. Starting pitching depth is incredibly important, and an established starter is always a good addition to a team hunting for its first playoff appearances since 1985.

The biggest name on the market for starting pitchers this winter is Matt Garza. Garza finished the 2013 season with a 10-6 record and a 3.82 ERA playing for the Chicago Cubs and the Texas Rangers. Even though his numbers were not as good after being traded to Texas in July, Garza is a legitimate No. 2 starter and will be sought after by a plethora of teams.

Ultimately, Garza will likely land outside the Royals price range, but it is worth taking a shot at him. His career 3.84 ERA and 1.283 WHIP would make him a nice addition behind Shields.

After Garza, the market drops off some. Hiroki Kuroda is the next best starter, but he is aging and will want to stay on the coasts somewhere if he does not retire or return to Japan.

One option may be Paul Maholm. The 31-year-old lefty is not a hard thrower by any means, but gets a lot of ground balls. A 10-11 record with a 4.41 ERA are not stellar numbers, but he has a career 4.28 ERA and the Royals' defense is

one of the best in the majors, which would surely make him even better. Maholm could be a solid No. 2 pitcher behind Shields and possibly get his ERA below 4.00.

Yankees starter Phil Hughes is another option, and could possibly be a buy-low candidate. Hughes posted an ERA over 5.00 for the second time in three years, but he is still young at 27 years old. One of his main problems has been a tendency to give up home runs, which would be less of an issue in the spacious grounds of Kauffman Stadium.

Neither Scott Feldman nor Bronson Arroyo are flashy arms, but could be options if the larger names cannot be lured to Kansas City. However, those two would not be much of an upgrade, if any, over what the Royals currently have.

The next best thing may be to buy low on a couple of veterans and hope to strike gold. Josh Johnson and Colby Lewis have battled injuries recently and Tim Lincecum has been down on the mound recently, but all three have had success at the major league level in the past.

If the team does not want or cannot get another starter, they may want to find a full time right fielder. David Lough had a good rookie season, but he and Justin Maxwell are in their late 20s and unlikely to improve too much.

The best option would be to go for Carlos Beltran, a former Royal. Beltran may be 36 years old, but he has continued to perform at a high level with a .296 batting average and 24 homers this season with St. Louis.

A Beltran signing would surely excite the fanbase and instantly improve an under-achieving Royals lineup.

Whatever the team decides to do, they need to add a couple of players to improve on the success they had this season. After mortgaging the future in the trade for Shields, a playoff appearance in 2014 is a must, and more help will be needed to achieve that goal.

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Jayhawks go in for the K-State kill with 3-0 win

Emilio Rivera
staff writer

In a purple packed Ahearn Fieldhouse, the K-State volleyball team fell to 12-3 overall and 0-2 in Big 12 play with a three-set loss to the Kansas Jayhawks 31-29, 26-24, and 25-19. This is the first time since the 2009 season that Wildcats have started 0-2 in conference play.

The Jayhawks talent stood out in the highly contested match.

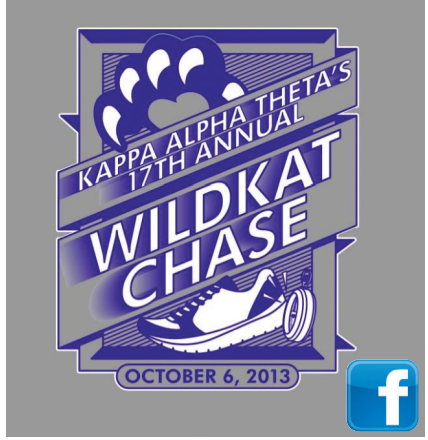
"[Kansas] is better than I have ever seen them," K-State head coach Suzie Fritz said.

The Wildcats were led at the net by senior middle blocker Kaitlynn Pelger with 11 kills. Redshirt freshman

setter Katie Brand led the team with 31 assists and five block assists.

The first set led to high hopes for the Wildcats as they pushed the Jayhawks to an extended set. The set was back and forth, with 16 ties and eight lead changes, but the set came down to mistakes with the Wildcats committing more down the stretch. Pelger had three service errors in the first set alone, including one that pushed the Jayhawks to a set point. The Wildcats fought back and secured a match point, but the Jayhawks scored three straight points to wrap up the set on their eighth attempt.

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Full-time academics, part-time jobs need balance

Maria Betzold
staff writer

Students working part-time jobs while attending college full-time is nothing new. At K-State, there are a variety of resources that are ready to assist any student looking for a part-time job. However, if not balanced correctly, having a part-time job could effect a student's academic performance.

Jodi Kaus, director of Powercat Financial Counseling, said that maintaining harmony among different aspects of life is the key to working while going to school.

"There is a balance that must be found between work and achieving an education," Kaus said. "The key is finding that appropriate balance so that study time is not diminished by hours spent working."

Michelle Haupt, coordinator of Academic and Career Informa-

tion Center, said she thinks students that work too many hours while attending classes are put in a bind.

"Students who work too many hours coupled with a full-time class schedule are essentially trying to hold down two full-time jobs," Haupt said. "It makes sense that they are not able to do both successfully."

Clive Fullagar, professor of psychological sciences, said that he thinks that working longer hours while attending classes enhances our cognitive abilities. He said he is particularly interested in a concept called "flow" – when a person is absorbed in their work to the extent that they forget about time and other responsibilities.

"From interviews and research that has been done with athletes we know that often when you are in the zone you are usually performing at an optimal level as

well," Fullagar said.

Fullagar also said that students

"Working long hours during school for me really forced me to manage my time better, which is a good thing, but it doesn't allow for you to give academics the best of your time"

Clive Fullagar
Professor of Psychological Sciences

that learn to balance various tasks, including working and going to class, begin to raise their level of self-confidence.

"It basically helps you build resources that enable you to resist stress or cope with stress," Fullagar said. "If you enjoy doing the work, you are more likely to persist and work through the problems that are involved with that task, there's a greater level of self-confidence."

Fullagar also said that students who work only because they have to are usually the students that lose interest quickly and don't enjoy their tasks.

"I think if you are working long hours out of a sense of obligation, then it has a stressful effect," Fullagar said. "But if you're working on something that interests you, then it has an energizing effect."

Jed Oesterreich, senior in computer engineering, said that he disagrees with Fullagar.

"I feel like working long hours while going to school does affect my academic performance," Oesterreich said. "This semester has

been pretty good; I have a boss that is really willing to work with me on when I come into work and how long I come in for. But last semester I had to work longer shifts at a different company and I definitely noticed a performance hit."

Oesterreich also said that by working while attending class, he learned a very important life skill.

"Working long hours during school for me really forced me to manage my time better, which is a good thing, but it doesn't allow for you to give academics the best of your time," Oesterreich said.

Oesterreich also said that his social life took a hit when he was working long hours during the semester.

"I also found that when working and in school you don't have much of a social life either, which is an important part of college as well," Oesterreich said. "It really makes you set your priorities and make sacrifices."

Trends are rising in transfer student involvement on campus

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It may be surprising that even with the largest enrollment in K-State history, there wasn't an increase in the number of transfer students this fall. What has increased, however, is how involved transfer students have become on campus.

"I think our transfer students are a little more visible," Bill Disberger, assistant director of admissions and transfer coordinators, said. "They want to get more involved."

Transfer students often come from community colleges. Disberger said while students attend community college first for various reasons, for many, transferring to K-State was their plan from the beginning.

Matthew Hale, sophomore in mechanical engineering, said he intended to seek a bachelor's degree at K-State, but going to Neosho County Community College first was more affordable.

Hale said one of the biggest differences between K-State and community college is the focus toward graduating, getting internships and having a career.



Caleb Shunatona (left), junior in mechanical engineering, and **Matthew Hale** (right), sophomore in mechanical engineering, discuss their adjustment to university life. Shunatona transferred from Butler Community College while Hale transferred from Neosho Community College.

"One of the bigger [K-State] adjustments would be time management because of the bigger workload," Hale said.

Disberger, who was a transfer student to K-State himself, said most transfer

students are only on campus for two or three years and do not get as involved in campus life. Instead, they may be more concerned with making an adjustment to university life.

To help with this adjustment, K-State has two transfer coordinators and provides opportunities specific to transfer students during Week of Welcome at the beginning of each semester.

Both Hale and Caleb Shunatona, junior in mechanical engineering, said that the orientation activities helped a lot.

According to Shunatona, a transfer student from Butler County Community College, living on his own and making sure he knows when homework is due have been the biggest adjustments.

Both Hale and Shunatona are involved in an intro to mechanical engineering group. Shunatona is also involved in the Ultimate Frisbee intramural and Concrete Canoe team.

As an engineering major, Hale said he has enjoyed hearing from the big engineering firms that the department invites to speak.

"There's definitely a lot of school pride and not just in sports," Hale said.

Students from out-of-state colleges and universities often transfer because they changed their major, as was

the case for Kirby Crownover, senior in animal science and industry.

Crownover transferred last year from Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colo., where she originally majored in nursing. When she switched to animal science, she decided to transfer to K-State because of the friendly environment. She said she appreciates the family feel of the animal science department, especially since she's now in smaller classes specific to her major.

"It's given me a lot of opportunities to be involved in more things," Crownover said.

Crownover said that being involved helps since she is so far from home. She is involved in the Sigma Alpha agricultural sorority and in Collegiate CattleWomen.

"I just love everything here," Crownover said.

Disberger said he thinks the university will continue to have more students transfer from community colleges, whether out-of-state or in-state, as students see those opportunities more and more.

"It's going to be a trend that continues to increase," Disberger said.

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CURRIE | Two awards in one year

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athletic department has eliminated direct funding from the state of Kansas and only receives \$500,000 from the university in the form of student privilege fees, which is used to pay student employees of the athletic department.

"Our state elected officials appreciate the model which we operate," Currie said. "Which is one of fiscal responsibility. We don't spend more than we generate. We run a balanced budget. We've had a budget surplus four years in a row. And that's an expectation. That's not a goal. We'll have it balanced and have a surplus again in the 2014 fiscal year."

Students at K-State have also taken notice of the atmosphere that has been instilled under Currie.

"He's been really great to work with and he's student-focused," said Kyle Nuss, senior in architectural engineering and the speaker of the Student Senate for the Student Governing Association. "His leadership has brought a lot of donations to the athletic department and he's really done wonders with the budget. It's fun as a student to be here while our athletic teams are doing well. I hope we can keep him here as long as possible."

K-State football head coach Bill Snyder also won the 2012 Bobby Dodd Coach of the Year Award, given by the same organization that honored Currie.

"We feel strongly that when a head football coach is recognized as a national coach of the year, that school's director of athletics is responsible for putting into place the many processes necessary for that coach to have succeeded," Terry said in a press release. "John Currie has definitely done this at Kansas State University."

This award is Currie's second AD of the Year honor in 2013, as he was named a 2013 FBS Under Armour AD of the Year Award in the summer.

DORM | Construction includes Kramer Complex renovations

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that he thinks the new residence hall is good idea for K-State's campus. "I think it's a good idea to add some more housing," Miller said. "It's going to be a little hectic at first because of the parking situation over here but in the long run it will be nice to have more people around."

Miller did voice concern over the looming hassle that he thought the parking at Kramer complex would likely become once construction begins. "Once they have to tear apart our parking lot it's going to crowd out the area a little bit," Miller said. Andy Thompson, residence life coordinator at Marlatt, said that he

thinks the new residence hall is going to have a positive impact on the Kramer complex. "I think it's fantastic," Thompson said. "I think when we weigh it out, people having some place to sleep and live is more important than having a place for their car to be parked." Thompson also said that it makes sense for K-State officials to choose

the Kramer Complex for their new addition, as well as the renovations for both Marlatt and Goodnow Hall. "I think Kramer complex makes a lot of sense because it has some opportunities for different academic partnerships," Thompson said. "We need a new dining center over here. There's a general excitement in the air."

VBALL | Wildcats fall to 0-2 in Big 12 for first time since 2009

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The same can be said about the second set, with the Wildcats earning a match point in an extended set, before a service error by senior outside hitter Dakota Kaufman started a three-point swing that allowed the Jayhawks to claim the second set. Senior outside hitter Courtney Traxson led the way for the Wildcats during their rally, leading the team with six kills pushing her team to take a late lead.

The intense first two sets were followed by a strong third-set performance by the Jayhawks, who only needed two match points to seal the deal and beat the Wildcats.

With Pelger and Traxson leading the team with 11 and 10 kills respectively, the team was offensively unbalanced with only two other players posting more than five kills. The Wildcats' struggles offensively were highlighted by a dreadful .120 hitting percentage. In the end they struggled to keep pace with the offensive-minded Jayhawks who posted a .230 hitting percentage.

The Wildcats posted 26 attacking errors and committed 10 of those in the first set for the second straight match, which proved pivotal in the tightly contested match.

The Wildcats stayed close throughout the match by constantly getting good digs away from the center of the court, amassing 41 digs while posting 40 kills on the night. The Wildcats' early aggressiveness around the net helped keep them close as they earned 9.5 total team blocks.

But that blocking attitude eroded as the game went on and the hitting power of the Jayhawks took over for a stretch before the Wildcats could regain their bearings.

"KU has some great hitters and they're a great double-quick team," redshirt junior Taylor Johnson said. "We adapted and got better towards the end."

The Wildcats will now have to try to battle through a two-game slide after winning their previous five. The last time the Wildcats started 0-2 in Big 12, they finished 6-14 in the league.

Fritz acknowledged that her team is still improving, and even improved as the match went on. "We feel very good in the direction we are growing, we have to stay positive," Fritz said. "The goal



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K-State redshirt freshman setter Katie Brand dives for the ball during the match against KU in Ahearn Field-house Tuesday night. The Wildcats fell to the Jayhawks 3-0 and remain 0-2 in conference play.

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